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SUBJ: IV GRANTEE AYSHA HASSAN MALLAH

REF: DOHA 0057, STATE 18330

1. SUBJECT AVAILABLE FOR TRAVEL TO US ASAP AFTER MARCH 10  
FOR PROGRAM UP TO SIX WEEKS.

2. SHE ANNOUNCER, SOMETIME PRODUCER ARABIC SERVICE, QATAR  
BROADCASTING, FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCE. QATARI BORN, QATARI  
CITIZEN. HAS TRAVELED UK, WEST EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST; HAD  
TWO-MONTH INTENSIVE ENGLISH UK FALL 75. NO PREVIOUS GRANTS.  
FEMALE RPT FEMALE ESCORT/INTERPRETER REQUIRED. ELIGIBLE  
J-1 VISA. JUSTIFICATIONS EXPLAINED DOHA REFTEL, DOHA  
0026 (JAN 75).

3. ASSUME DEPT CONCURS EMBASSY NOMINATION FOR INDIVIDUAL  
SPECIALIZED PROGRAM (FUNCTION 260). EMPHASIS OF PROGRAM  
SHOULD BE UPON ACTUAL WORK SITUATION EXPERIENCES, WITH MAJORITY  
OF TIME SPENT IN SMALLER CITY RADIO STATIONS, BUT WITH SOME  
EXPOSURE TO LARGER CITY AND NETWORK OPERATIONS. SUGGEST  
VOA MAY BE ABLE ASSIST IN DEVELOPMENT SPECIFIC PROGRAMS.

4. GRANTEE WISHES VISITUSUAL TOURIST ATTRACTIONS (WASHINGTON,  
NEW YORK, LA, SF, AND OF COURSE, DISNEYLAND).

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5. SHE SHY, ESPECIALLY WHEN USING LIMITED ENGLISH. PERSONAL PROBLEM OF WHICH DEPT AND PROGRAMMING AGENCY SHOULD BE AWARE: HAS YOUNG, RETARDED CHILD, AFTER BIRTH OF WHOM HUSBAND DIVORCED HER.

6. EMBASSY APPRECIATES DEPT AGREEMENT/ASSISTANCE THIS GRANT. QATARI WOMEN STILL LIVING IN DARK AGES; THIS FIRST QATARI WOMAN TO OUR KNOWLEDGE TO TRAVEL TO US ALONE, AND CERTAINLY FIRST ON AN OFFICIAL PROGRAM.

7. IF DEPT/CU REQUIRES ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND OTHER THAN PROVIDED HERE AND DOHA REFTEL, WILL ATTEMPT COMPLY. SUGGEST, HOWEVER, LONGER THAN USUAL PRE-PROGRAM CONSULTATIONS DC SPRINKLED WITH SIGHTSEEING TO ENABLE FEMALE ESCORT/INTERPRETER ESTABLISH RAPPORT, WHICH NECESSARY PRECLUDE ANY POSSIBLE DIFFICULTIES ARISING CULTURE SHOCK, HOMESICKNESS. EVEN THOUGH BY QATARI STANDARDS, SUBJECT IS LIBERATED WOMAN, CANNOT OVER-EMPHASIZE WORLD OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US SOCIETY VIS-A-VIS WOMEN AND COMPLETELY SEGREGATED, CLOISTERED AND INFERIOR STATION LIFE QATARI WOMEN LEAD AND FOR MOST PART ACCEPT.

8. ADVISE RECOMMENDED ARRIVAL DATE, GRANT DATA.  
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